

## BOMB HURLED FROM AIRSHIP DISABLES GUNBOAT

Nephew of General Carranza Successful in Aerial Operations Against Federal Warship Which Was Assisting in Defense of Besieged Port of Mazatlan.

## Artillery Fire is Reported Terrific

Federals Give Up Tampico Completely and Soldiers Who Evacuate Are Taken South to Tuxpam on Two Warships—Latter Will Return to Establish Blockade.

DURANGO, Mexico, May 15.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—Reports were received here last night from General Obregon, in command of the rebel forces besieging Mazatlan, that the Federal gunboat Guerrero was disabled yesterday by bombs dropped from an aeroplane piloted by Captain Salinas Carranza, a nephew of the directing head of the Constitutional party.

## FEDERAL GUNBOATS TAKE DEPARTURE FROM TAMPICO

WASHINGTON, May 15.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—According to reports received here last night the killed in the fighting at Tampico is placed at three hundred. The gunboats Bravo and Zaragoza left the mouth of the Panuco river during the afternoon and are believed to be making for Tuxpam where they will probably discharge the soldiers taken aboard before the federal evacuation of the city. Following that it is believed the two vessels will return to Tampico and attempt to maintain a blockade to prevent the Constitutionalists from importing munitions of war.

## THREATEN TO SEIZE ALL MINING PROPERTIES

EL PASO, Texas, May 15.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—Unless American and other foreign mine owners and operators return to the Pecos district and reopen the mines within fifteen days, the mines will be seized and operated for the benefit of the Mexican people, according to a notice which was issued here yesterday by General Herrera.

## AMERICAN WOUNDED AND SICK REACH NEW YORK

NEW YORK, May 15.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—The hospital ship Solace arrived here yesterday with 101 patients from Vera Cruz, of whom thirty-one are suffering from wounds received in the fighting incident to the occupation of the Mexican port and the others suffering from diseases contracted in Mexico. The vessel also brought the bodies of the last two marines who were killed, Pullman and Harshburger. Hunter Dobson, an ordinary seaman from the battleship Louisiana, died on the voyage here of appendicitis. This brings the total number of American dead as the result of the Vera Cruz campaign up to twenty.

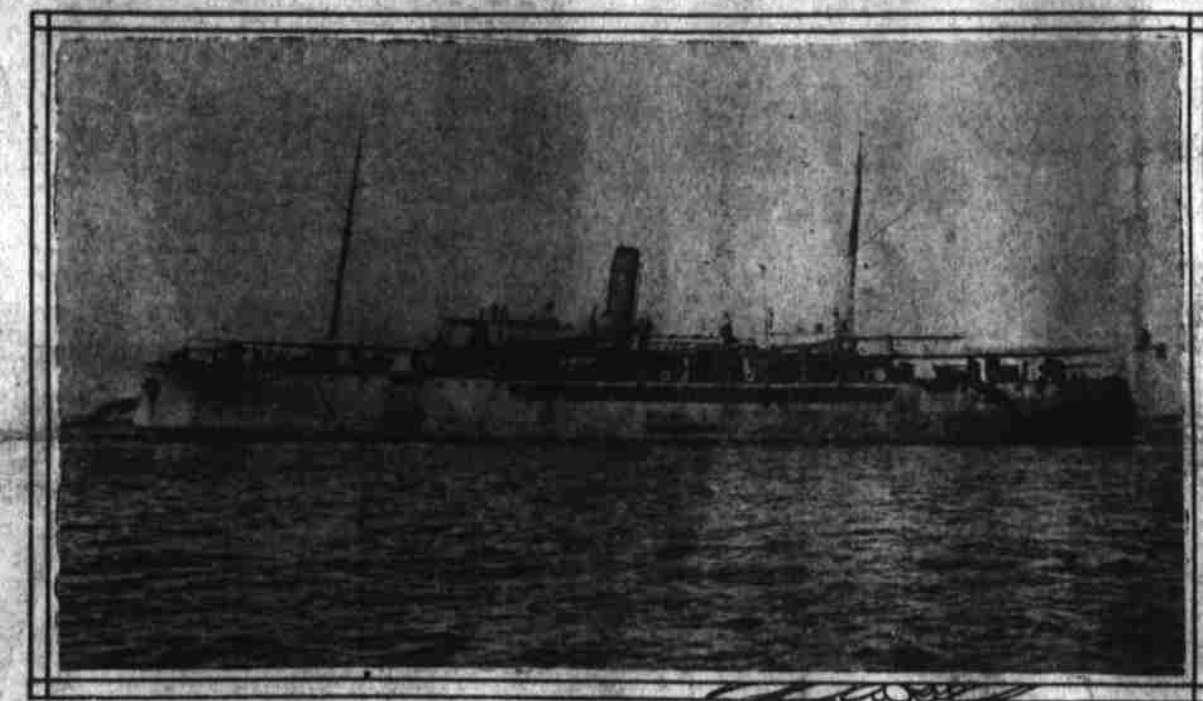
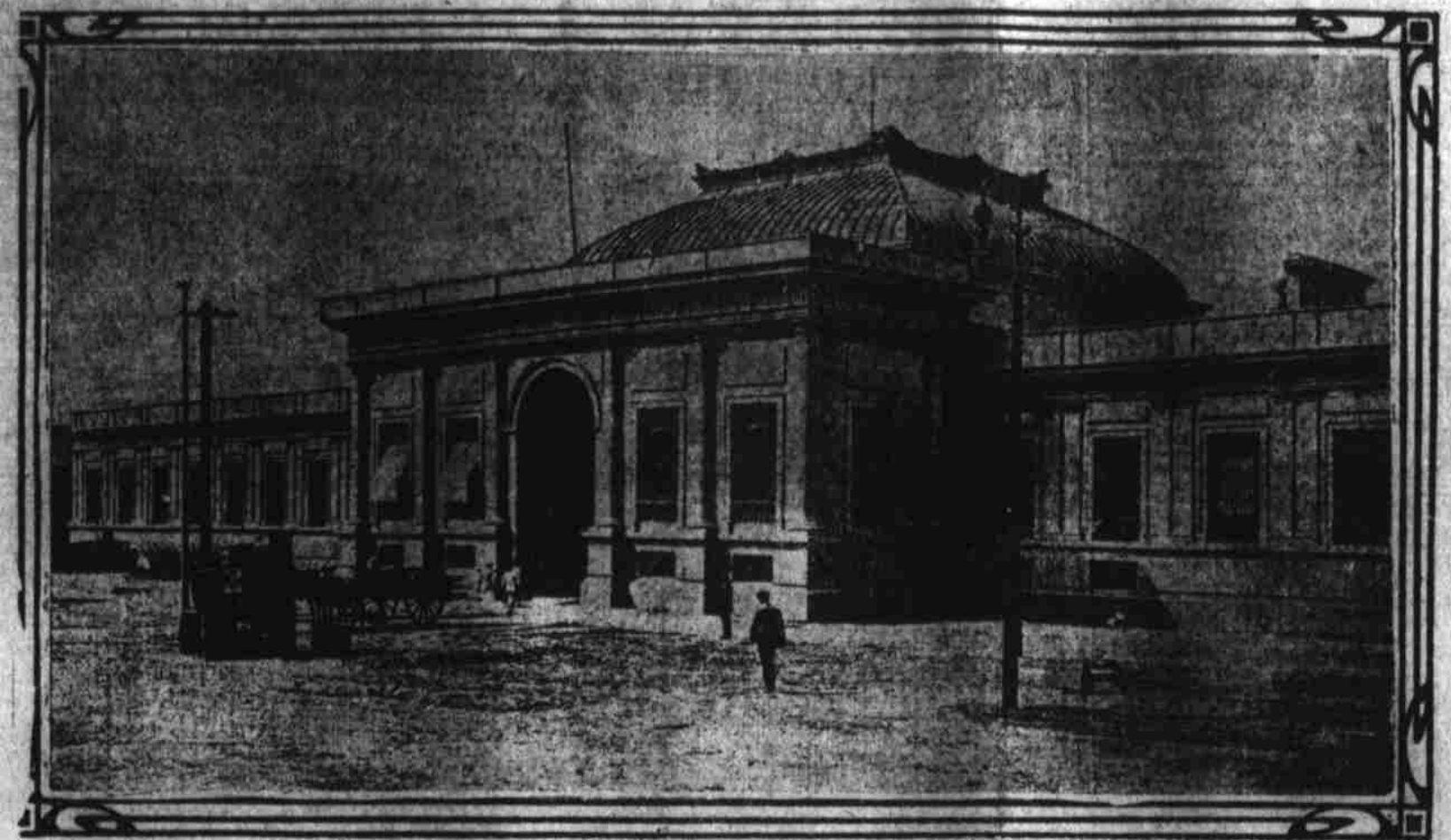
## HUERTA COMMISSIONERS ARRIVE AT KEY WEST

KEY WEST, Florida, May 15.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—Augustine Rodriguez, Emilio Rabasa and Luis Elguerra, the three peace commissioners appointed by Huerta to represent his administration at the sessions of the South American mediators, arrived here yesterday from Havana. Rodriguez, speaking for himself and the others, said that Huerta had selected them because they were not connected with politics. Continuing, Rodriguez said: "We will have full power to act and shall decide according to our consciences, but always bearing in mind our national honor."

## GENERAL VILLA LEADING LARGE ARMY ON SALTILLO

TORREON, Mexico, May 15.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—Gen-

## Custom House at Vera Cruz Which Is Headquarters of American Land Forces; Disabled Gunboat Guerrero



eral Villa left here yesterday at the head of an army of 25,000 men to begin an attack on the city and garrison at Saltillo, where the Federals have made stand since the taking of Torreon by the rebels. The Villa army is provisioned for thirty days.

## SALAZAR ACQUITTED THEN REARRESTED

SANTA FE, New Mexico, May 14.—(Associated Press Cable).—Mexican General Salazar has been acquitted on a charge of violation of the neutrality laws, released and rearrested and taken to Fort Wingate where it is possible that he will be tried on additional charges of a like nature.

## HUERTA TO RECEIVE ARMS AT SALINA CRUZ

MAZATLAN, Mexico, May 14.—(Associated Press Cable).—The presence of General Guerrero at Salina Cruz is believed to have some bearing on munitions of war which it is reported are to be taken ashore for the use of Huerta and his troops.

## ADMIRAL REPORTS QUIET ON MEXICAN WEST COAST

WASHINGTON, May 14.—(Associated Press Cable).—Rear Admiral Thomas B. Howard reports all quiet at Guaymas, Acapulco and Mazatlan and other points along the west coast of Mexico.

## AMERICAN WARSHIPS ENTER PANUO RIVER

WASHINGTON, May 14.—(Associated Press Cable).—The cruiser Des Moines and the gunboat Dolphin steamed into the mouth of the Panuco river today and anchored off Tampico. Wireless reports from the vessels are to the effect that everything is quiet, with the Constitutionalists in possession of the city. Before retiring the Federal troops dynamited the barracks.

## SAN FRANCISCO MAYOR FIRST PASSENGER ON AERIAL FERRY SYSTEM

SAN FRANCISCO, May 15.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—Mayor Rolph and a newspaper man were the first passengers on the aerial ferry which was established yesterday between San Francisco and Oakland. Regular public service will be opened Sunday. The aerial "beats" will have a capacity of two passengers besides the pilot and will fly about fifty feet above the water in their trips across the bay. Several specially built biplanes will be used in the service.

## POINT OUT HEAVY DEATH RATE ON PANAMA CANAL

WASHINGTON, May 15.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—That 2190 workmen employed on the Panama Canal died from accidents or fevers during the ten years ending March 31 was contended in the house yesterday by Representative Young of North Dakota who based his statements on a mass of statistics read by him. He claimed that this rate was greater than the mortality from wounds received on the battlefield in the war of 1812 with Mexico or the Spanish-American war.

## SHIPS REPORT FROM SEA.

The liner Persia reported to the Mutual Wireless station last night that it would arrive at five o'clock on the morning of May 17 and sail at ten o'clock on the morning of May 18. It is bringing six cabin passengers and sixty-four Asiatic for Honolulu. The United States Army transport Dix reported that it would arrive Saturday morning.

## ROSS IS AFTER KEALOHA'S JOB?

Many Mentioned to Succeed to Position Held by Convicted Hilo Supervisor.

Many are the candidates reported to be anxious to succeed John A. Kealohe, the convicted Hilo supervisor who is now on the road to jail, where he will be good for about two years. The list of alleged candidates now includes John M. Ross, manager of the Hakalau Plantation Company; Antonio M. Cabrera, a Hilo merchant; R. T. Guard, manager of the Hilo Meat Company; Ollie T. Shipman, former supervisor of the district of Kau but now an attorney and business agent of the second city; William H. Shipman, one of the biggest cattlemen on the Big Island, and M. S. Pacheco, clerk of the road supervisor of South Hilo, and others.

Although Kealohe has been convicted and the supreme court has denied his appeal he is still holding on to his supervisory position. He may resign or he may not. In the latter case the only way to oust the convicted man will be through impeachment proceedings. Such proceedings have been before the supreme court for some months and the pressing of the issue has been held in abeyance pending the decision in the criminal case. The decision was rendered by the supreme court on Wednesday and the way is now clear to press the other question.

Governor Pinkham yesterday reiterated to The Advertiser his decision to allow the citizens of Hilo to voice their wishes as to whom the Governor shall appoint to succeed Kealohe, once the latter resigns. The Governor may take a short run over to Hilo shortly after his return from Maui. In this case he would be able to gather at firsthand Hilo's views on the subject.

## PILOT BOAT IS STUCK FIVE PERSONS

LONDON, May 14.—(Associated Press Cable).—The pilot boat was stuck at the entrance of the Thames today, and five persons were drowned.

## HAWAII RATES ARE LOWER THAN CUBAN

Local Sugar Men Get Favorable Contracts Because of Quantity Shipped.

Freight rates on Hawaiian sugar from Honolulu to New York are much lower than the rates from Cuba or New Orleans, figuring on the basis of cost per ton per mile. J. N. S. Williams said yesterday in discussing this problem of high cost of marketing that the Hawaiian planters have been able to make exceptionally favorable freight contracts, because the Sugar Factors Company alone has outgoing cargoes amounting to more than 450,000 tons annually.

J. A. Kennedy, discussing the transportation problem recently, estimated the proportion of inter-island merchandise freight to sugar freights as approximately two to one. If this rough estimate holds in the transoceanic freight carrying business it means that the planters can offer a guarantee of about a million tons of return merchandise freights annually to shipowners who will make favorable rate sheets on Hawaiian sugar.

It is the assurance of regular offerings of tonnage that makes any transportation company's business profitable. A. M. Nowell stated at the time the tariff reduction went into effect last March that the Sugar Factors' Company had been able to make a favorable selling contract with Eastern refiners because the company agreed to market the crop as harvested instead of accumulating stocks at island ports awaiting the higher prices that are sure to come after June 30.

J. N. S. Williams said yesterday that our planters are about as shrewd a combination of business men as there are in any branch of the sugar industry. They do not allow many opportunities for reducing the cost of production to escape them.

## USE OF BARGES IS URGED BY GOETHALS

WASHINGTON, May 14.—(By Associated Press Cable).—The use of barges of the Panama Railroad Company as a means of moving the first water-borne traffic through the Panama Canal is being urged upon Col. Geo. W. Goethals in an effort to relieve the congestion of Pacific freight over the Tehuantepec route.

## UNIVERSITY TREASURER IN CRITICAL CONDITION

PALO ALTO, California, May 15.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—Charles J. Lathrop, treasurer of Leland Stanford University, is seriously ill with diabetes. He is a brother of Mrs. Leland Stanford.

## Peace Assured; Trotter Settles a Serious Question

Gang Plank Episode on Argentine Ship Presidente Sarmiento "Diplomatically" Adjusted by Beer of Marine Quarantine Service.

The ruffled feelings which existed between the local marine quarantine service and Capt. Abel Renard of the Argentine schooner Presidente Sarmiento have been smoothed out, the entente cordiale has again been established between the Argentine Republic and the United States and the dove of peace has gone back to its nest under Doctor Trotter's table in the quarantine office.

Dr. J. E. Trotter made a written complaint to Commander Renard setting forth the fact that the port gangway of the Presidente Sarmiento should have been in place when his subordinate, Dr. A. N. Sinclair, was ready to leave the vessel.

Captain Renard replied that it was against all rules of good seamanship to allow a gangway or any other obstacle to protrude over the side when a vessel was docking and naturally thought that Doctor Sinclair with all his long seafaring experience was cognizant of this fact. However, he felt sorry that the doctor took offense at the omission.

Doctor Trotter stated yesterday that he thought that the whole trouble grew out of the lack of knowledge that the crew had of the English language.

There was a sigh of relief in shipping circles yesterday when it was known that this "serious" misunderstanding had been patched up amicably and that the best of good feeling prevailed in public health and marine hospital circles again.

## HAWAIIAN SUGAR TO GO THROUGH CANAL

Cargo of American-Hawaiian Steamer Alaskan Will Be Tow- ed Through on Barges.

Cabled advice from the head office in New York to C. P. Morse, general agent for the American-Hawaiian Steamship Company in Hawaii, which were received yesterday at one o'clock, stated that the 12,000-ton sugar cargo of the steamer Alaskan, now at Panama, would be moved within a day or so through the Panama Canal.

The Alaskan left Hawaiian waters on April 17 for Salina Cruz. Prior to its arrival at the Mexican port wireless orders were sent to the commander of the vessel to change his course, making Panama his destination. Owing to the unsettled condition in Mexico, the Tehuantepec Railroad had ceased operations, and its traffic was diverted to the Panama Railroad across the isthmus.

Advice received by Mr. Morse and the agents of the Sugar Factors Association within the past few days have contained the information that owing to this extra burden of traffic on the Panama Railroad the line is blocked and business is practically at a standstill.

The cable to Mr. Morse states briefly that the sugar on the Alaskan will be conveyed through the canal on barges, and a steamer will be dispatched to Colon, the Atlantic entrance of the canal, to convey it to Philadelphia. Mr. Morse notified the Hawaiian Sugar Factors Association to this effect shortly after the receipt of the cable.

Whether Hawaiian sugar will continue to be shipped in this manner Mr. Morse was unable to state, as no instructions have been received here to change the course of the steamer Mexican of this line. The Mexican is scheduled to sail for Philadelphia from Hilo on May 23. It is not thought likely by Mr. Morse that these plans will be changed, as in his opinion the allowing of the Alaskan cargo to be shipped through the canal is being done as an emergency measure to relieve the congestion of the Panama Railroad.

The Virginian leaves Seattle today for Honolulu with a large cargo of Sound products. In addition the vessel has westbound New York cargoes 402 and 403, shipped on the Kautskian and Panama, respectively.

## NAVY VISITORS APPRECIATE COURTESIES

Rear-Admiral Kuroi of Japanese Warship Fleet Expresses Thanks Through The Advertiser for Many Kindnesses Shown to Man-of-Wars Men—Vessels Depart for Hilo.

The Flagship Asama, Japanese Training Squadron, Honolulu, May 13, 1914. To the Editor, The Pacific Commercial Advertiser: Sir:—Will you allow me to ask you to spare me a little space in your valuable paper to convey to the citizens in Honolulu my sincere thanks, in the name of the squadron under my command, for the cordial welcome and generous hospitality accorded us by the authorities and people with whom it has been our privilege to come in contact during our visit to this port? I need hardly add that such a cordial treatment and hospitality have not only given us a very pleasant experience, but will also be highly appreciated by the whole Japanese nation. Thinking in anticipation, Yours faithfully, T. KUROI, Rear Admiral.

With a crew of United States marines letting go the bow lines of the Japanese cruiser Asama, with a crew of "jacksies" from the Argentine schooner Presidente Sarmiento performing a similar service with the stern lines, with the Second Infantry band playing the Japanese national anthem on the staff, and a Japanese band playing the Star Spangled Banner on shipboard, Rear Admiral T. Kuroi's flagship, the Asama, steamed away from the navy wharf yesterday afternoon at two o'clock after a week's stay in Honolulu. Shortly afterward the cruiser Azuma left its dock at pier No. 7 and followed the flagship to a mooring outside of Honolulu harbor.

The two vessels will leave for Hilo at four o'clock this morning. The original plan was for the vessels to proceed to Hilo last night, but Admiral Kuroi decided to delay departure for the Crescent City until this morning to give his officers and men an opportunity to view the beauties of Hawaii by daylight.

A reception was held aboard the Asama yesterday afternoon at four thirty o'clock which was in the nature of a farewell to Rear Admiral Kuroi and his officers. Among those who paid their respects were Maj. Gen. W. H. Carter, commander of the Hawaiian Department, accompanied by his aide, Lieut. J. G. Pillow, Brig. Gen. Clarence R. Edwards, commander of the First Hawaiian Brigade; and Rear Admiral C. B. T. Moore, accompanied by his aide, Lieut. Ellis Lande, and his Imperial Majesty's Acting Consul H. Arima and staff. In addition to these there were various representatives of the Japanese papers and prominent Japanese business men present.

Three days is the time stated that the war vessels will remain in Hilo and then proceed to San Pedro, California. Various ports on the Pacific Coast will be visited before the cruisers return to Japan. The original itinerary included Mexican ports, but events having occurred since the program was originally planned calls at these ports have been canceled.

The Japanese on Hawaii have been making elaborate preparations for the reception of the cruisers upon their arrival and side trips to the volcano and other points of interest on the island have been planned. Representatives of the four Japanese newspapers left on the cruisers last night as the guests of Rear Admiral Kuroi.

## MELLEN TESTIFIES IN RAILROAD INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, May 14.—(By Associated Press Cable).—Charles Sanger Mellen, former president of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company, was a witness before the interstate commerce commission this morning, in its probe into the financial relations of the New Haven and the Billard Company.

Mellen explained to the commission the methods employed in obtaining subsidies and reaching influential persons. John Hall McKay, Mellen's private counsel, who is badly wounded as a witness by Chief Counsel Joseph Folk, is believed to have made a hurried trip abroad to avoid appearing before the commission.